

Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0183] with the following amended paragraph:

[0183] If all needed business rules are accepted, EXP_HEADER data structure can be generated 96 containing information about Exposure Source that is later on embedded into the encoded content. The generation process is performed in several stages as shown on FIG. 28. First, Exposure Source generates EXP_HEADER structure and signs 98 it with ExpSigKey, thus creating a self signed EXP_HEADER structure consisting of Content Owner Identifier, Content Identifier and Exposure Source identifier. EXP_HEADER is now sent to Transaction authority (TA) for processing 99. TA retrieves 100 EXP_INFO from the entity database and checks 101 if this Exposure Source is revoked. If not, Exposure Source signature on EXP_HEADER is verified 102. In case of a revoked Exposure Source, TA sends a reject message. If a valid signature of a non-revoked Exposure source is found, TA checks 103 for consistency with BRDB and if found consistent signs 104 EXP_HEADER and sends 104 it back to Exposure Source, together with TA's signature. Exposure Source now can merge 97 EXP_HEADER with content to be exposed. After performing all necessary steps, content is made [[81]] publicly available. The process of content distribution is summarized in FIG. 22.